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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

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OSWR/STD/LSB

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SUBJECT : Intelligence Memorandum on Toxins; planning  
meeting (U)

1. Memoranda requesting your participation on this project have been sent to your respective commanders. A copy is attached for your information. (U)

2. The drafting group will meet for the first time at 0930 on Tuesday, July 12, 1983, at CIA headquarters building, room 6E60. I suggest that each of you have your clearances perm certified to CIA for 6 or 12 months. Please use me as point-of-contact [redacted] OSWR/STD/LSB, [redacted]. (C)

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3. The primary goals of this session are to decide the strategy to be pursued in accomplishing this analysis and to assign areas of responsibility. The items accompanying this memorandum will, I hope, provide the springboard for our discussion. (U)

(a) The precis is a general description of the paper. The object of the exercise is to prepare a community-accepted prioritization of toxins as potential threat agents by considering intelligence and technical data in the context of employment. (C)

(b) The list of toxins is a quick collection drawn from a variety of sources. It is intended to provoke thought about the compounds or classes of compounds that should be considered - for whatever reason. It also underscores the number of disparate compounds with which we will be dealing. (U)

(c) Enemy toxin use concepts is a first cut at identifying scenarios. From such descriptions we will rank each of the physical properties in terms of their importance to each use situation. (U)

(d) Toxin parameters lists some of the things we need to know about a compound to establish suitability for employment. (U)

(e) The toxin/standard agents paper is included for the analytical method described in the appendix. A modified version of this approach may satisfy our requirement for an objective method to handle a large amount of data. (U)

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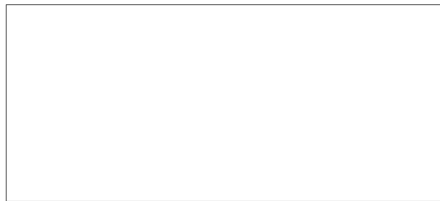
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4. Please come prepared to stay as long as is necessary to lay all the groundwork for the project. We have a terrific opportunity to produce a dynamite paper while contributing to everyone's knowledge bases... 'Twould be useful to begin by establishing a solid framework for the rest of the work. (U)

5. I look forward to seeing you on the 12th. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call. (U)



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